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SUBJECT: SEYCHELLES ISLANDS AGREEMENT-MILITARY ACCESS ISSUE

REF A) VICTORIA 214, B) STATE 53770 C) VICTORIA 184, D) STATE 51800

1. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER PUGH BRIEFED CHARGE REGARDING MARCH
14 PRESENTATION ON ISLANDS' AGREEMENT MADE BY VISITING FCO
UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE EVEN LUARD TO SEYCHELLES PRESIDENT F.A.
RENE. ACCORDING PUGH, LUARD RAISED SUBJECT IN GENERAL TERMS AND
UNDERLINED: A) IMPORTANCE UK ATTACHES TO THE AGREEMENT,
B) MUTUAL BENEFITS WHICH THE TWO STATES ENJOY AS A RESULT OF THE
AGREEMENT AND C) DESIRE ON PART OF THE UK TO MAKE PROCEDURES OPERATE
IN
FLEXIBLE MANNER. PRESIDENT RENE RESPONDED SYMPATHETICALLY AND EXPRES
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CONFIDENCE THAT A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE "MODUS OPERANDI" COULD BE
REACHED. IN SUBSEQUENT "INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION" WITH MINISTER OF
FORIEGN AFFAIRS AND TOURISM GUY SINON AND PERMSEC DANIELLE D'OFFAY,
HOWEVER, PUGH AND LUARD DETECTED "SLIGHTLY HARDER LINE"
ON MILITARY ACCESS ISSUE.

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2. IN NEXT WEEK OR SO PUGH PLANS TO ENTER INTO SUBSTANTIVE
DISCUSSIONS WITH SINON AND D'OFFAY ON PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS.
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